



# Announcements For Week Commencing Sunday 7th December



## WEEK AHEAD:

**Sun 7th Dec: 11:00am: Morning Worship - 2nd Sunday of Advent:** Robert continues his Advent series "Hope Has A Name" with the message Hope When You Don't Think You Have Enough from Luke 1:39-56

**Christingle Carol Service 4pm,** Alness Church of Scotland, Perrins Rd

**Sign up for ABC Christmas Party food options needs to be completed TODAY**

**Mon 8th Dec: Tots & Toast:** Continues in the sanctuary from 10am-12 Noon

**Tues 9th Dec: Lunch Club Christmas Lunch @ 12:30pm** - Christmas lunch with all the trimmings but more importantly friendship and fellowship

**Wed 10th Dec: Early Morning Prayer Meeting:** 7:30am on Zoom Join us as we seek God together before the day begins! Let's unite in prayer for our church, community, and one another. Come expectant. Come prayerful. Come together. for login details speak to Robert

**Salvation Army, 7:30pm , Invergordon CoS** followed by the sale of £1 parcels and tea in the hall.

**Thurs 11th Dec: Praise Team Practice** 7:30pm in Sanctuary

**Friday 12th Dec: Community Food Larder:** Continues from 10:30am -12 Noon

**Sun 14th Dec: 11:00am: Morning Worship - 3rd Sunday of Advent:** Robert continues his Advent series "Hope Has A Name" with the message Hope When I Feel Alone from Luke 1:35-45

**Ardross Carol Service, 2:30pm,** Ardross Church

**ABC Carols By Candlelight 6:30pm** Robert continues his Advent series "Hope Has A Name" with the message Hope When I Feel Unworthy from Luke 2:1-20

## FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Church's Monthly Financial Target:** For **November** our income was **£5,087** with expenditure of **£6,336**.

The expenditure included the second round of payments to our mission partners. Current income figures would equate to a **forecast shortfall** of around **£10,000** against this year's forecast expenditure. Financial contributions: If you'd like to start contributing to ABC via envelopes/bank transfer (Gift Aiding - adding 25% to your donation through tax refund to church) please let us know by contacting our Treasurer, Angus Macleod, or email [treasurer@alnessbc.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@alnessbc.org.uk). **See Page 2 for Details**

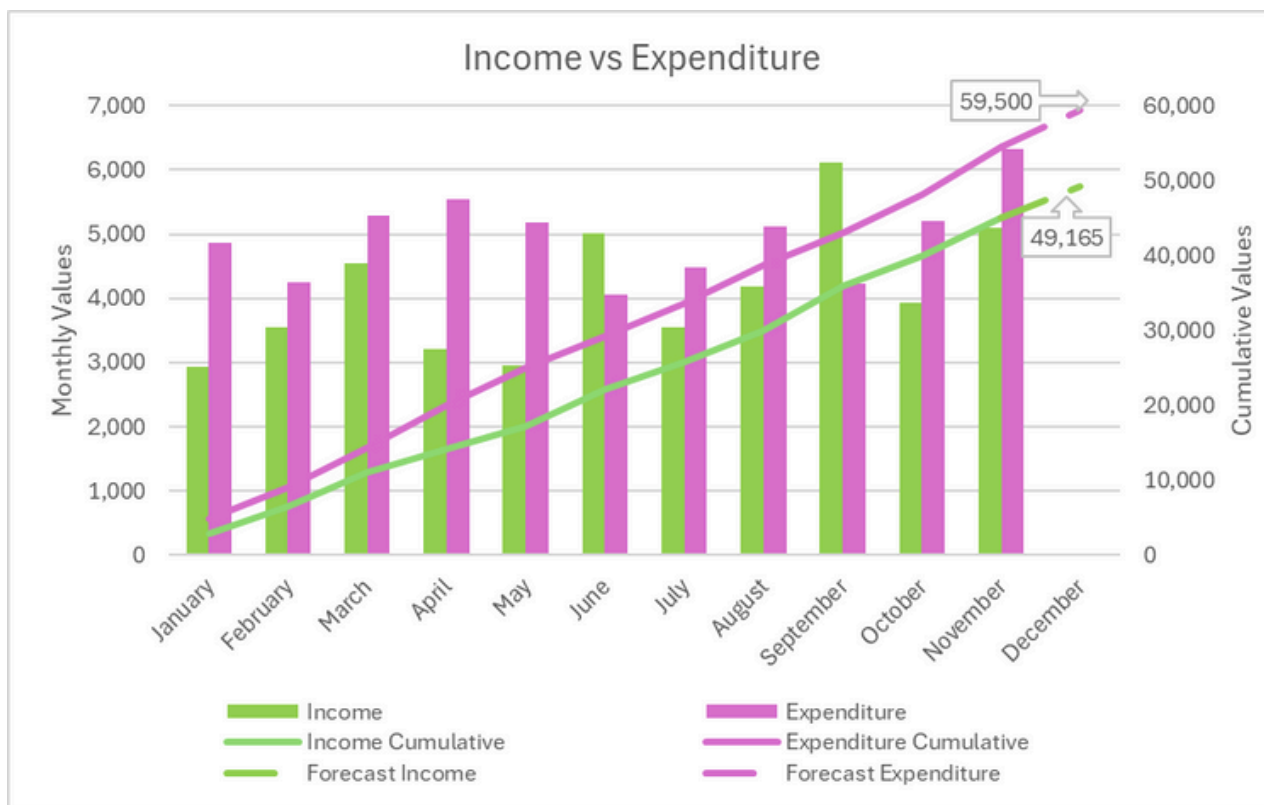
**Community Food Larder:** We are looking for volunteers to help in the manning of the larder and provide some tea & coffee. If able to help sign up sheet for the month of **December** at back of church. **Due to lack of volunteers it is likely the Food Larder will cease operation in 2026**

**Baptist Union Of Scotland : Prayer Calendar** - this week please pray for the following; Granton Baptist Church, Grantown-on-Spey Baptist Church and Greenock Baptist Church More information available at [www.scottishbaptist.com/prayer](http://www.scottishbaptist.com/prayer)

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Dec: ABC Christmas Party - copy of menu and sign up sheet on table at back of church £5 per head per meal choice. Sign up to be completed by Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Full List of Advent Services & Events at ABC available on Page 3.**

**Full list of ADCC services and events available on Page 4**



Columns in graph show income and expenditure per month read against the values on the left hand side. The solid lines show our income and expenditure for the year so far. The dotted lines show forecast values to year end based on our year to date figures. All line values should be read against the values to the right hand side.



# Advent & Christmas 2025 @ Alness Baptist Church Preaching & Events Guide

*When life feels uncertain, empty, or lonely—hope can seem faraway.*

*But real hope isn't found in circumstances; it's found in a person.*

*This Advent, journey with us through the story of Jesus' birth and discover how Hope Has a Name. From Mary's fears to the shepherds' doubts, from our weakness to God's strength—each week reveals how Jesus meets us right where we are, bringing light into every dark place.*

*Come and find real hope for real life this Christmas season.*

## **1st Sunday of Advent Sun 30th Nov 11am**

What Is Real Hope? | Luke 1:26–37

## **Community Carol Service Wed 3rd Dec**

7pm Alness Academy

## **2nd Sunday of Advent Sun 7th Dec 11am**

Hope When You Don't Think You Have Enough | Luke 1:39–56

## **3rd Sunday of Advent Sun 14th Dec 11am**

Hope When I Feel Alone | Luke 1:35–45

## **Carols By Candlelight 6:30pm**

*Followed By Refreshments*

Hope When I Feel Unworthy | Luke 2:1–20

## **Church Christmas Party Wed 17th Dec**

6:30pm -8pm, Join us for Church family festivities

## **4th Sunday of Advent Sun 21st Dec 11am**

Hope When Your Future Is Unsure | Luke 2:21–34

## **Christmas Morning Family Service 10:30am**

Hope has a Name | Matthew 1:18–25

## **Final Sunday of 2025 Sun 28th Dec 11am**

Hope That Endures | John 1:1–14



# **ADVENT & CHRISTMAS EVENTS & SERVICES 2025**

**Blue Christmas Service 3pm, Sunday 30th November**

**Alness Church of Scotland, Perrins Rd**

**Community Carol Service 7pm, Wed 3rd December**

**Alness Academy**

**Christingle Carol Service 4pm, Sunday 7th December**

**Alness Church of Scotland, Perrins Rd**

**Salvation Army, 7:30pm, Wednesday 10th Dec Invergordon CoS  
followed by the sale of £1 parcels and tea in the hall.**

**Ardross Carol Service, 2:30pm, Sunday 14th December**

**Ardross Church**

**Carols By Candlelight Service 6:30pm, Sunday 14th December**

**Alness Baptist Church**

**O.P.E.N.G.A.T.E Puppet Presentation 7pm, Thursday 18th December**

**Alness Church of Scotland, Perrins Rd**

**Carols By Candlelight Service 6:30pm for refreshments 7pm start,**

**Friday 19th December, Rosskeen Free Church, Achnagarron**

**Invergordon Singers, Christmas Concert, 20th December, 7pm,**

**Invergordon Church of Scotland**

**Messy Church Christmas Party 3pm - 4:30pm, Sunday 21st December**

**Alness Church of Scotland, Perrins Rd**

**Christmas Eve Service 3:30pm, Kilmuir & Logie Easter Church**

**(location TBD)**

**Christmas Eve Watchnight Service 11:30pm Alness CoS, Perrins Rd**

**Christmas Day Family Service 10:30am Alness Baptist Church**

**Christmas Day Service, Kilmuir & Logie Easter, 11:00am (location TBD)**

